

Listing of Claims

Please amend claims 1 and 6 as shown below.

Please cancel claims 2, 4, 5, 7, 9 and 10, without prejudice.

1. (currently amended): A workpiece retainer comprising an adhesive composition containing a pressure-sensitive adhesive and a side-chain crystallizable polymer so that the side-chain crystallizable polymer is present in an amount of about 1% to about 30% by weight based on the adhesive composition,

wherein the side-chain crystallizable polymer includes ~~as a main component thereof~~ an acrylic acid ester and/or methacrylic acid ester which has a straight-chain alkyl group including 16 or more carbon atoms as a side chain,

~~wherein the adhesive composition contains a tackifier in an amount of about 10% to about 30% by weight, and~~

~~wherein the side-chain crystallizable polymer has a molecular weight of about 2,000 to about 15,000~~

the side-chain crystallizable polymer having a molecular weight of about 2,000 to about 15,000, and the side-chain crystallizable polymer having a first order melt transition range of less than about 15°C,

wherein the adhesive composition contains a tackifier in an amount of about 10% to about 30% by weight, and wherein adhesiveness of the adhesive composition is decreased by more than about 90% when heated above about 50°C with respect to the adhesiveness when measured at 23°C.

2-5. (canceled)

6. (currently amended): A workpiece retainer comprising:

a first pressure-sensitive adhesive layer on which a workpiece is to be attached;

a support formed on a back face of the first pressure-sensitive adhesive layer; and

a second pressure-sensitive adhesive layer formed on a back face of the support,

wherein the first pressure-sensitive adhesive layer comprises an adhesive composition,

the adhesive composition containing a pressure-sensitive adhesive and a side-chain crystallizable polymer so that the side-chain crystallizable polymer is present in an amount of about 1% to about 30% by weight based on the adhesive composition, and

the side-chain crystallizable polymer including ~~as a main component thereof~~ an acrylic acid ester and/or

methacrylic acid ester which has a straight-chain alkyl group including 16 or more carbon atoms as a side chain,

~~wherein the adhesive composition contains a tackifier in an amount of about 10% to about 30% by weight, and~~

~~wherein the side-chain crystallizable polymer has a molecular weight of about 2,000 to about 15,000~~

the side-chain crystallizable polymer having a molecular weight of about 2,000 to about 15,000, and the side-chain crystallizable polymer having a first order melt transition range of less than about 15°C,

wherein the adhesive composition contains a tackifier in an amount of about 10% to about 30% by weight, and

wherein adhesiveness of the adhesive composition is decreased by more than about 90% when heated above about 50°C, with respect to the adhesiveness when measured at 25°C.

7-11. (canceled)